

**BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT  
GREGG R. SMITH**

I graduated from the University of Idaho School of Law in 1985 where I had been Symposium Co-Editor of the Idaho Law Review. The topic of the Symposium issue, and accompanying CLE, was bankruptcy and business reorganizations. Prior to receiving my law degree, I earned a Master of Science in Taxation degree from Gonzaga University, in 1982. My undergraduate degree was attained from the University of Idaho in History.

From the outset, my law practice has emphasized representing clients in a wide range of commercial and business matters, many of which involve bankruptcy disputes. I regularly represent clients in both litigation and transactional matters. By way of example, I recently completed representing the buyer in the spin off of the tribal services practice group from a major accounting firm. On the litigation side, in mid 1999 I earned a judgment for a client in a bankruptcy fraud case I presented in the Northern District of Georgia.

I have served as primary counsel in a number of high-level mediations that have lead to resolution of cases that would appear to not be capable of settlement. In the controversial civil rights case between the Marks family and the City and County of Spokane, I represented 19 of 23 plaintiffs, and ultimately served as the lead mediation counsel. In that case I achieved a resolution that brought to rest an eleven-year-old case with a result being one of the largest civil rights settlements ever achieved. In an earlier mediation case I represented the majority shareholders in a family manufacturing corporation that was being sued by its minority shareholders. In that dispute I not only served as defense counsel, I also represented my clients in a sale of the corporation, as agreed through the mediation.

Respectfully submitted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2000.